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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION DATED JULY 26, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to an official action dated July 26, 2001.

In the official action dated July 26, 2001, the examiner indicated that the reply filed on June 20, 2001, was not fully responsive to the prior official action because the marked-up version of the amendments did not show all of the changes made to the claims. This paper is being submitted in response, wherein claim 20 has been cancelled, the amendment to claim one has been corrected, the marked-up version of the amendment corresponds to the amended claims, and the corresponding arguments have been revised.

In light of the amendments and remarks presented below, applicants request withdrawal of the rejections and favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application.